# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# CULTURE
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:718
ANSWERED ON:22.11.2001
WORLD HERITAGE STATUS TO MONUMENTS
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**Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:**

to Unstarred Question No.2843 dated August 09, 2001 regarding World Heritage Monuments and state:

(a) whether the Government have received revised guidelines issued by UNESCO regarding nominations for World Heritage sites;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the names of the monuments proposed and submitted to the UNESCO for their inclusion as World Heritage sites, location-wise;

(d) the criteria adopted in this regard;

(e) the progress made by the Government for their inclusion in the World Heritage List so far;

(f) the names of the monuments likely to be deleted from the list of World Heritage as per new guidelines issued by UESCO; and

(g) the remedial measures taken by the Government in this direction?

## Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM & CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The gist of UNESCO`s revised guidelines are given in the annexure.

(c) The following monuments/sites are being proposed for nomination to the World Heritage list:

a) Harappan site, Dholavira, Distt. Kutch, Gujarat.
b) Prehistoric painted rock shelters at Bhimbetka, Distt. Raisen, Madhya Pradesh.
c) Ranthambhore Fort, Distt.Sawai Madhopur (Rajasthan).

(d) The proposed sites fall in the hitherto un-represented category.

(e) As per the UNESCO`s revised schedule in this regard, the nomination process will commence in Feb., 2002 and conclude in 2003.

(f) The new guidelines do not propose deletion of any enlisted World Heritage site.

(g) Does not arise.

ANNEXURE

Annexure referred to in reply to part `b` of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.718 replied to on 22.11.2001

GIST OF UNESCO`S REVISED GUIDELINES

According to the revised guidelines of UNESCO`s World Heritage Committee, henceforth nominations of unrepresented or less represented categories of natural and cultural properties would be given priority. >From now onwards, each member country will be permitted to submit only one nomination per year, except those countries who have no site enlisted so far. New categories such as sacred sites, industrial heritage, modern architecture, cluster nominations and maritime ports have been recognized for nominating to the World Heritage List. The nomination will be examined on regional, chronological, geographical and thematic basis.